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This Amendment is in response to the final Office Action mailed July 15, 2008, and having a period for response set to expire on October 15, 2008.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Entry of the claim amendments and reconsideration of the amended claims is respectfully requested, because it is believed that the claim amendments and remarks clarify the patentably distinguishing features of the present invention over the cited and relied upon references without requiring further search to place the application in condition for allowance.